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	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Tran N. Nguyen	2834	

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 June 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☐ Claim(s) 42-75 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 42 and 67 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) 43-66 and 68-75 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Priority

1. Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. **Claim 42** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being fully anticipated by **Dutro** (USP 5212435).

Dutro discloses an AC electric motor (figs 1-3) comprising:

a main winding (34);

an additional winding (38);

a capacitor (40) is connected to the additional winding in series, and this connection is connected in parallel with the main winding (fig 2);

the additional winding being wound in reverse direction with respect to the main winding (fig 1) so that the current flows in the main winding and in the additional winding are opposite from one another resulting in the field directions of the main winding and additional winding are opposite also;

the capacitor functions is to shift the electrical phase across the additional winding; therefore, the current flowing through the main winding having different phase angle from the phase angle of the current flowing to the additional winding.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. **Claim 67** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Dutro** in view of level of ordinary skills of a worker in the art.

Dutro substantially discloses the claimed invention, except for the limitations of each additional winding and associated capacitor being connected in a star connection (Y-connection) in parallel relation to the associated main winding.

Those skilled in the art would understand that configuring the winding and associated electrical components such as capacitors, in either star connection (Y-connection) or delta connection are a matter of obvious engineering design choice based upon a particular application of such circuit. Both star or delta connections are well known in the art. Selecting a star connection for the additional windings and associated capacitors would have a center point of zero voltage return for reducing over-voltage and over-current problems in the circuit.

Thus, it would have been obvious to one skilled in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the motor winding configuration by connecting the each additional winding and associated capacitor being connected in a star connection (Y-connection) in parallel relation to

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the associated main winding. Doing so would reducing the over-voltage and over-current problems in the circuit. Furthermore, star-connection is well known in the art.

Allowable Subject Matter

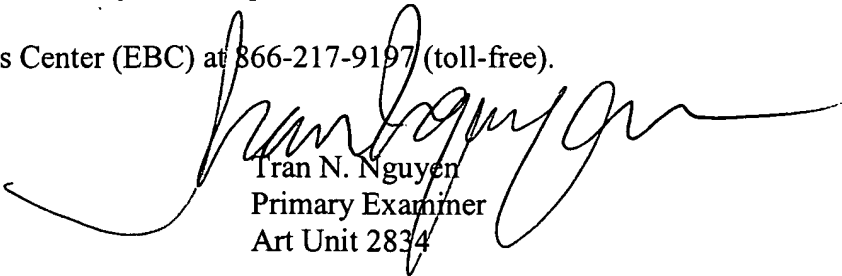
Claims 43-66, 68-75 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tran N. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-2030. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:00AM-4:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Darren Schuberg can be reached on (571)-272-2044. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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